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FATHER RAFFO

Defines Position of the Catholic Church Concerning Divorce.

Nothing But Death Can Dissolve the Bond of True Marriage.

Pastors Consider With Regret Ease With Which Divorce Is Obtained.

CHURCH NEVER CAN ADMIT DIVORCE

Rev. Father Charles P. Raffo, the able and eloquent pastor of St. Cecilia's church, was one among a number of well known clergymen who defined the position of their respective churches on the divorce question in last Sunday's Courier-Journal. The subject of divorce has now become a live question with all denominations of Christians, and knowing that anything Father Raffo would say on such an important subject will be of interest to readers of the Kentucky Irish American as well as instructive to non-Catholics, we give his concise but complete definition on both the marriage and divorce question in full:

"To properly understand the position of the Catholic church toward divorce, her teaching concerning marriage must be understood. The Catholic church teaches that matrimony is not only a natural contract between husband and wife, but that, for Christians, it has been elevated by Jesus Christ to the dignity of a sacrament.

"The Council of Trent says: 'If any one saith that matrimony is not truly and properly one of the seven sacraments of the Evangelic Law instituted by Christ Our Lord * * * and that it does not confer grace, let him be anathema.' (Sess. xxiv., de mat. can., l.)

"When a man and a woman have entered into the marriage state, and when all the conditions for a valid and true marriage have been complied with, there is nothing which can dissolve the bond of such a marriage but the death of one of the parties to the marriage contract. According to the teaching then of the Catholic church a ratified and consummated marriage is indissoluble.

"What God hath joined together, let no man put asunder." (St. Matt. xix., 6.) For just reasons a husband and wife may live separate, but neither can marry while both of the parties live. This is her doctrine according to the teaching of Jesus Christ, her Founder and Master.

"The Catholic church then never did and never can admit of divorce in the sense of the dissolution of the true marriage bond. She has stood for the indissolubility of the sacred tie of marriage from her foundation by Christ nearly two thousand years ago, and she will continue to do so until her mission to teach all nations is fulfilled—until time shall be no more.

"She has always considered the Christian marriage as the corner-stone of society. Her pastors consider, with deep regret, the ease with which divorce from the marriage bond is obtained in our country. The 'so-called' scriptural cause has almost been relegated to the rear, and causes upon causes have been added as just reasons for a dissolution of the marriage bond. Indeed the admirers and defenders of divorce have been so prolific of causes 'as to provoke to merriment were it not for the gravity of the subject.' Divorces have been granted so easily, the sad fact stands before us, that the proportion of divorces to marriages is appalling. This fact has made some of our best thinkers and writers realize the awful havoc divorce is bringing to our homes and hence to our country. They are beginning to know that to trample upon the sacred laws of marriage is to grant the widest margin to sensuality, to practically legalize adultery, to desecrate the sanctity of the home and to destroy the responsibility and care of children. They have studied the social side of the case if no other, and they have concluded that the greatest menace to our country is divorce, because it is a prime factor in the abominable and unnatural crime of 'race suicide.' The devotees of divorce do not court the responsible encouragement of children. They seek the sensual only, and destroy one of the first ends of marriage, 'increase and multiply.' Divorce is one of the chief mourners at the bedside of the Christian mother.

"The only remedy for this social evil, the only means to destroy it and its consequences, is to absolutely refuse to grant divorces from the bond of a true and valid marriage."

GENEROUS JOHN WHALLEN.

Col. John Whallen will soon convert into a beautiful park forty-one acres of his magnificent farm on the banks of the Ohio, adjoining Riverview. Col. Whallen has contemplated this plan for several years, and to the Kentucky Irish American he said neither pains nor expense will be spared to make it the most desirable place for outings about Louisville. Almost every foot of ground will be shaded and the whole will present a rustic formation of exceeding beauty. This park will be for all the

people, but especially our churches and charitable institutions of all denominations. Col. Whallen, having generously decided to grant them its use for picnics, lawn fetes or other outings without charge. Music stands, refreshment stands, swings and everything essential to such a place will be placed there in the early spring, and for all who desire there will be always an abundant supply of Springbank free of cost. And the absurd rule of prohibiting parents from bringing lunch baskets for their children will not be followed.

THOMAS A. SHELLEY.

Popular Man Announces His Candidacy For Tax Receiver.

Mr. Thomas A. Shelley, the present efficient Chief Deputy in the office of the City Tax Receiver, has announced his candidacy to succeed James B. Brown, the incumbent, subject to the action of the Democratic party, as will be seen by his card, which appears elsewhere in this issue of the Kentucky Irish American. Mr. Shelley is one of the best known young men in Louisville. He was born here. His father was a prominent and respected citizen of Louisville for many years, and his brother, James Shelley, served long and faithfully in the Tax Receiver's office, both as deputy and principal, up to the time of his death, when Thomas Shelley was unanimously elected by the General Council to serve out the unexpired term. Since Mr. Brown has been in office he has been his chief deputy.

It is conceded in the City Hall that there is no more competent and efficient accountant and agreeable public servant than Thomas Shelley. He has besides the universal respect and confidence of all who know him. He is prompt in the discharge of his duties and believes that a public office is a public trust and not a private snap. If nominated Mr. Shelley will add strength to the ticket, and without presuming to take sides before the nominations are made we take this occasion to say that Mr. Shelley is entirely worthy of support as citizen, Democrat and capable officer.

TWO HUNDRED

Applications Promised Division 4 For Washington's Birthday.

Unbounded enthusiasm prevailed at the meeting of Division 4, A. O. H., Wednesday night. President Hennessey presided, and after the addresses of County President Quinn, Harry Brady and David O'Connell each member pledged himself to present one or more applications at the next meeting. The race for first place and the gold prize offered the division having the largest number to initiate on St. Patrick's day is waxing warm, and apparently lies between Divisions 3 and 4. For years the latter has had the distinction of being the leading division in Kentucky, and it is evident the members are determined to make a vigorous fight to hold the proud honor. Upon motion Messrs. Tim Downey, Will Connelly, John J. Barry, M. J. Walsh and Harry Brady were appointed a special committee to whom will be referred all applications and arrangements for the big initiation.

The applications of James Purcell, Con. Coughlin, Thomas Cullen, James Meany, Martin O'Dea, D. J. Meagher, C. A. Carrin, Martin Callahan, Lawrence Smith, James Finnegan, Patrick Ross, Maurice Fitzgibbon, John Homer, Joseph Finnegan, Michael Costello and Edward Brown were presented for a starter in the contest, and they and a number of others will be obligated at the next meeting. After making a handsome appropriation for the St. Patrick's day initiation and banquet and instructing the delegates to the County Board to vote to renew the lease on the hall there were a number of short but very encouraging talks. The work of this division will now be closely watched, as the men from Limerick want to have an organization the equal of any in the country.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Will Eat Dinner With the Friendly Sons in New York.

St. Patrick's day will fall on Friday this year and a dispensation from Rome will therefore be necessary to allow Catholics of New York to eat meat on that day. It will probably be granted when petitioned for, as St. Patrick is the patron of the Cathedral of the diocese, and such a favor is usually given in Ireland. President Roosevelt, remembering those Irish ancestors of whom he is proud, will eat his dinner there on that evening, with other Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

EUCHRE AND PRIZES.

The Clifton Crescent Club has completed all the arrangements for a great Washington birthday celebration and euchre at Phoenix Hill Hall on Wednesday, February 22. This club is composed of the most prominent ladies and gentlemen residing in Clifton and Crescent Hill, and their entertainments and euchres have become so well known that they are attended and enjoyed by people from all sections of the city. The

prizes to be awarded are handsome and suited to the season. Games will be played in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and in the evening at 8 o'clock. There will be no more patriotic or pleasant celebration in memory of Washington than this.

BISHOP AND CLERGY

Who Have Been Ill Are All on the Road to Recovery.

Readers of the Kentucky Irish American have all felt great anxiety because of the dangerous illness of the Right Rev. William George McCloskey and a number of priests prominent in this city and throughout the diocese, and they will rejoice over the news that with but one exception they are making splendid progress toward recovery. The Right Rev. Bishop McCloskey, who is at the Cathedral rectory, is reported steadily improving, and his attendants have hopes that he will be able to be out as soon as the weather becomes favorable.

The people of St. Mary Magdalen's church will be glad to welcome tomorrow the return of their beloved pastor, Rev. William Gausepohl, who suffered a severe attack of pneumonia, and for whose recovery serious doubts were entertained for several days. Since the change for the better the reverend gentleman has gained strength rapidly, and the last report was that he would probably be able to celebrate mass for his people tomorrow.

Letters from Rev. Father Paul Alf, of St. Boniface church, who went to Hot Springs to seek relief from rheumatism, say that there is but little change in his condition, but that with a month's treatment he expects to be relieved of the great suffering he has endured for some months past.

Rev. Father Michael, President of St. Mary's College, who was ill at St. Joseph's Infirmary, left last Sunday for St. Mary's, Marion county, having fully recovered. Upon his arrival at the college he was given a hearty welcome by the students.

The latest report from Father Coenen was that his condition was still very serious, but his friends yet have hopes for his recovery.

MACKIN COUNCIL.

Gymnasium Class Promises to Develop Some Star Athletes.

Mackin Council had a well attended meeting Tuesday night and the proceedings were of more than usual interest. Only one application was received, but there are many more in sight, as the two well organized bands of hustlers captained by Frank Adams and Ben Sand have lined up and will now wage a vigorous contest.

The gymnasium class, with Louis Kieffer as leader, will get down to work in about two weeks, and then some star athletes will no doubt be developed. It was voted to further increase the bathing facilities at the club house by installing additional shower baths. The council is contemplating giving a mammoth euchre in the near future, and their reputation for conducting euchres assures a large attendance at this affair.

Owing to illness Attorney Newton G. Rogers was unable to be present, and therefore his lecture was postponed till Tuesday, February 28. The subject of his lecture will be "Ancient Egyptian History," and will be well worth hearing.

TWENTY MILLIONS.

This Is the Number of Catholics Now Under American Flag.

According to advance figures from the official directory of the Catholic church for 1905, the Catholic population now under the American flag is 20,553,492, made up as follows: Continental United States, 12,462,793; the Philippine Islands, 7,078,699; Porto Rico, 1,000,000; Sandwich Islands, 32,000. The increase for the United States proper for the year just closed appears on the face of the figures to be 575,476, but the best informed church members say this is much underestimated. New York and Chicago are the two dioceses with the largest Catholic population, 1,200,000 each. The smallest is Baker City, Idaho, with 3,218. For the first time in many years there is at present no vacancy in the hierarchy. Two new dioceses, Fall River, Mass., and Great Falls, Mont., were organized, and a third, Superior, Wis., is under consideration.

BEARS GOOD FRUIT.

Following the example of the Holy Name Society and with the declaration that they are shocked at the indulgence of their neighbors in profanity, fifty men of Waterbury, Conn., are reported to have formed an "oathless club." Among the members are several merchants. A saloonkeeper is also on the roster. The society purposes to stop, is possible, the use of all bad language. This is a work that has been inaugurated and promulgated by the Catholic Holy Name Society, and it is gratifying to learn that it is being emulated by others not of the true church.

INDIAN SCHOOLS.

President Roosevelt Suggests Indians Have Some Rights Under the Law.

They Can Say to Which School They May Send Their Children.

Private and Not Public Funds Have Been Used in the Missions.

VEXED QUESTION BOBS UP AGAIN

There has been some discussion of late in Congressional committees at Washington in regard to the division of funds for the education of Indian children. One of the United States Senators tried to create the impression that agents of the Catholic church were making or had made deals with certain Congressmen and Senators for a division of the public funds, provided Catholics would vote the Republican ticket. Cardinal Gibbons pointed out that the agent making the alleged offer had nothing whatever to do with the Catholic bureau for the education of the Indians.

President Roosevelt has settled the whole controversy so far as he was brought into it in a many way. The President, in a letter to Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock, directs him to continue the practice which has prevailed in the departments—that is to allow the Indians to say where they wish their children educated. It is their own money which is being spent and not public funds, as some would try to make believe.

The letter of the President is self-explanatory and in part is as follows:

"Early in 1902 petitions on behalf of the various Catholic and Episcopal schools were brought to my attention by certain ecclesiastics and laymen, who requested the Interior Department to distribute the rations and annuities through the mission schools of their several churches when the children were in the care of those schools. The Attorney General decided that this request was illegal and could not properly be granted. Over a year afterward the request was made originally on behalf of certain Catholic schools in 1903, also on behalf of a Lutheran school in 1904, that where there were Indian moneys held in trust for the Indians by the Secretary of the Interior the interest on these Indians' moneys being distributed among the individual Indians, or in such other ways as the Secretary of the Interior might direct, and where certain Indians petitioned that the moneys so distributed to them should be used for the support of the particular denominational school which they desired their children to attend, this petition should be granted.

"The question raised was of course wholly different from that originally raised on behalf of the Episcopal church and of the Catholic church. This new request was submitted to the Department of Justice and the department decided, as set forth in the accompanying report, that the prohibition of the law as to the use of public moneys for sectarian schools did not extend to moneys belonging to the Indians themselves and not to the public, and that these moneys belonging to the Indians themselves might be applied in accordance with the desire of the Indians for the support of the schools to which they were sending their children. There was in my judgment no question that, inasmuch as the legal authority existed to grant the request of the Indians, they were entitled as a matter of moral right to have the moneys coming to them used for the education of their children at the schools of their choice.

"Care must be taken, of course, to see that any petition by the Indians is genuine and that the money appropriated for any given school represents only the pro rata proportion to which the Indians making the petition are entitled. But if these two conditions are fulfilled it is in my opinion just and right that the Indians themselves should have their wishes respected when they request that their own money—not the money of the public—be applied to the support of the certain schools to which they desire to send their children. The practice will be continued by the department unless Congress should decree to the contrary, or, of course, unless the courts should decide that the decision of the Department of Justice is erroneous.

"It is, however, greatly to be desired that the bill introduced by Representative Lacey and providing for permission to allot these annuities in severality to the Indians exactly as is now done with land should be enacted into law. Its enactment and administration would prevent the raising of any question of this character, for each individual Indian would then be left free to use the money to which he is entitled outright on his own initiative instead of having it used for him by the Secretary of the Interior in consequence of his petition. I earnestly hope that Congress will at once enact this bill into law.

"The special case of the St. Labre's school stands by itself, the question being whether the contract entered into is one authorized by the finding of the Department of Justice in January, 1904, or

whether it is one of those cases forbidden under the decision of the Department of Justice of January, 1902. The Attorney General will speedily report the category in which this case comes."

RECORD BREAKING

Attendance at the Euchre and Dance of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The euchre and dance given by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at Schreiber's Hall on Monday evening drew a record breaking attendance, the hall being tested to its utmost capacity. Indeed the crowd was so large that many members of the auxiliary were unable to participate in the euchre themselves, preferring to make way for their guests. The committee in charge, which proved very apt in handling the great throng, was composed of Misses Rose Sweeney, Lizzie King, Maggie Coughlin, Ella O'Connell, Mary Corcoran and Nellie Cunningham; Mrs. David Welsh, Mrs. Lawrence Mackey, Mrs. Joseph Cunningham and Mrs. Wm. M. Higgins.

The winners of the ladies' prizes were Mrs. David Welsh, Mrs. E. M. Kerr, Mrs. T. J. Tierney, Mary Cunningham, Ellie Ryan, Josie Reardon, Lena Preher, Mamie Keenan, Josie Crowley, Margaret Shaughnessy, Agnes Hallinan and Margaret Nugent. The gentlemen prize winners were Al McKibben, Pat Sheehan, Joe Farrell, Thomas Coleman, James F. Reid, James Hallinan, John McGuire, August Hyman, M. T. Callahan, Frank Broderick and Thomas Lynch.

After the awarding of the euchre prizes the floor was cleared for dancing, which was indulged in by the young folks until the "wee sma' hours." The auxiliary members feel much gratified with the encouragement shown them by the Hibernians and their other friends, and wish to state through the columns of the Kentucky Irish American that their social affairs will be more frequent in the future.

TEN YEARS OLD.

Arranging Great Anniversary Celebration For Unity Council.

Unity Council, Y. M. I., of New Albany, will be ten years old next April, and at a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting Tuesday night it was decided to have an elaborate celebration of the anniversary. Unity is one of the strongest councils in the Indiana jurisdiction, having a membership approaching 300. From the day of its organization it has prospered, and now the members are looking forward to the erection of a home for the council similar to that of Mackin of this city.

President Hinkelby, who has not been feeling well, was compelled to relinquish the chair, and Mat Roth took his place. Four new members were elected and three more applications were received, which shows the members are determined to bring all eligible young men into the organization. The subject of the annual picnic was discussed at some length, but action was deferred till the next meeting. Members were pained to learn that seven of their number were on the sick list, most of them being victims of the grip. The committee that has had charge of the series of dances given this winter reported that they were very successful and were greatly enjoyed by the participants.

DATES FIXED.

Confederate Reunion Will Bring Thousands Here in June.

Secretary Thomas D. Osborne has made public the first general order issued by Gen. Stephen D. Lee, which fixes the dates for the great reunion of the United Confederate Veterans. The reunion will last three days, June 14, 15 and 16, and will be one that Gen. Lee says "will have to be marked with a white milestone." This reunion will bring thousands of visitors to Louisville, besides the survivors of the war, and the Confederate veterans of this city and State are making preparations for a reception for them that will far surpass that ever given any reunion. The Confederate Southern Memorial Association will also hold its meeting at the same time, the opening feature of which will be the Jefferson Davis memorial service.

It would not be surprising if a movement to erect a monument to the Rev. Father Ryan, the famed and beloved poet of the Southern armies, were inaugurated at this reunion. The suggestion that his memory be so perpetuated has met with hearty approval in all the Southern States.

TRINITY COUNCIL.

There was a fair attendance at the meeting of Trinity Council, Y. M. I., on Monday night, when the obligation was administered to Frank Gahafer. Albert Metzger was reported well after a long illness, leaving William Rueff the only one on the sick list, and it is hoped he will soon be restored to perfect health. The Entertainment Committee reported that rehearsals were being held and that a big minstrel show would be given soon after Easter. Trinity Council's euchres and dances have been so popular and the

demand so great for another before Lent that President Cooney appointed a special committee to arrange for one to take place before Lent. Announcement was made of the meeting of the Joint Committee tonight and also of the Board of Grand Directors tomorrow afternoon. The members of Trinity are working harmoniously and seem determined to make this one of the most successful years in its history. A great effort will be made to increase the funds in the treasury and hasten the time for purchasing a club house of their own.

MARTIN SHEEHAN

Has a Big Lead in the Hibernian Membership Contest.

Division 3 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians met in regular session Monday night, with a good attendance. President Patrick Welsh presided and a great deal of business was transacted. James McCue, one of the old and faithful members, was honored with a beautiful gold emblem of the order in recognition of his long service and loyalty to the division. The presentation speech was delivered in an able and eloquent manner by President Welsh.

Divisions 1, 2 and 4 will certainly have to hustle if they hope to win the \$50 gold prize offered the division securing the most new members for the big initiation on March 17. Martin Sheehan, who is after this prize as well as one of the gold watches, presented fifty-three additional applications, and the announcement was received with tremendous applause. When the list had been read he said he will have another list equally as large for the next meeting. This shows how the order can be built up and should spur every member of the order in Louisville on the contest now pending. There is not a Hibernian who can not secure at least two applications for his division.

John M. Mulloy, of the County Board, was a welcome visitor, and when introduced he made a short but happy talk. He encouraged the members and urged them to keep up the good work, assuring them that by doing so the initiation and banquet on March 17 would be a grand success.

THOUSANDS

Will Play in the Big Charity Euchre For St. Anthony's Hospital.

The third annual charity euchre given by the St. Anthony's Hospital Sewing Society for the benefit of that most worthy institution will take place next Thursday afternoon and evening, February 16, at Phoenix Hill Hall. As this is the only entertainment given during the entire year for the benefit of the hospital great interest is manifest throughout the city for this event, and it promises to be as successful and enjoyable as the two preceding ones. An excellent lunch and refreshments will be served at moderate prices, and various amusements will be provided for the entertainment of visitors. Sweet strains of music will be discoursed during the afternoon and evening by the ever popular Richborn-Kollros band. The ladies in charge are making a strenuous effort to make it a social as well as a financial success, and it is to be hoped that the public will appreciate their efforts and lend a helping hand for sweet charity.

CATHOLIC KNIGHTS.

Indiana State Convention to Be Held in New Albany.

The annual meeting of the Indiana State Council of the Catholic Knights of America will convene in New Albany on Tuesday, February 28, and the sessions will continue for several days. This will be a very interesting meeting, as Indiana is one of the most important States in the great Catholic benevolent order. Jonathan Thickstun, of Jeffersonville, is State President and expects that Supreme President Gaudin, Secretary Matre, Supreme Trustee McGinn, Major Gen. Kadeski, Michael Ketchum and many State officers from Kentucky and others prominent in the order will be present as visitors. The branch in New Albany is a strong one, and it goes without saying that the State Council will be handsomely entertained.

All reports now coming in are of a most encouraging character. Nearly all of those who were dissatisfied with the new rates have changed their views and are accepting the options, and besides bringing in new members additional councils are now being established in many parts of the country.

ANNOUNCES FOR SENATOR.

The Hon. Albert H. Charlton this week announces his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for State Senator for the district comprising the five western wards of the city. Mr. Charlton served several terms in the Legislature and proved a valuable member. He is thoroughly practical and knows what should be done and how to do it. His record is open to his constituents and he is liked and respected by all who know him. No one has ever questioned his Democracy, and if he is chosen he will give this city the same good service that he did in the past.

THE CARDINALS.

There Are At Present Sixty-One and Nine Vacant Places.

Twenty-Three of Them Have Reached Three Score and Ten.

Ten Belong to Religious Orders and There Is But One Jesuit.

CONSISTORY MAY BE HELD IN APRIL

There are at present sixty-one Cardinals and nine vacant places; thirty-seven are Italians, six French—Cardinal Richard of Paris, who is eighty-six, being the oldest member of the Sacred College, five Spaniards—counting Cardinal Merry del Val, aged thirty-nine, and the youngest of the Cardinals, as a Spaniard; five Austrians and Hungarians, three Germans, one Portuguese, one Belgian, one American, one Irishman, one Englishman and one Australian.

Of the entire Sacred College, says a Rome correspondent of the Freeman's Journal, Cardinal Oreglia is the only survivor from the consistories of Pius IX.; Netto, of Lisbon, is the oldest living of Leo's creations, and after him come Moran of Sydney, and Capecepolo of Capua, each of whom has been Cardinal for twenty years. Cardinal Gibbons follows, with nineteen years in the Cardinalate; so his Eminence of Baltimore is now in order of seniority among the Princes of the church.

Rarely in history has the Sacred College been composed of such a great proportion of men over seventy. There are no fewer than twenty-three of them who have surpassed man's allotted span of three score and ten: Cardinal Richard is eighty-six, Gruscha eighty-five, Capecepolo eighty-one, Steinhuber eighty, Nocella seventy-nine, Goossens seventy-eight, Perrard Di Pietro and Oreglia, seventy-seven, Couille (who was received in private audience by the Holy Father recently) and Manara seventy-six, Moran seventy-five, Lecot seventy-four, Vaszary, Macchi, Kathaschaler and Agliardi seventy-three; Sancha and Cretoni seventy-two, Gotti, Gibbons, Casana and Serafino Vannutelli seventy-one. Thirty of the Cardinals reside in Rome and are engaged in different congregations which form the central administration of the church under the supreme guidance of the Sovereign Pontiff, and of these thirty only four are non-Italians—the Spaniards Merry del Val and Vives, the German Steinhuber, and the French Matthieu.

Ten of the Cardinals belong to religious orders—there are two Oratorians, two Benedictines, one Jesuit, one Dominican, one Capuchin, one Franciscan, one Carmelite and one Augustinian. Eight of the Cardinals are simple priests, and with the death of Cardinal Martel a few years ago the last of the Cardinals who never advanced as far as the priesthood passed away.

Recently the report was started that the Holy Father intends to hold a consistory in the first week of next April. It is very likely, and it is more than likely, that a few Cardinals will be created, one of whom will almost certainly be Pius X.'s successor as Patriarch of Venice—Monsignor Cavallari. Will there be a new American Cardinal? Only Pius X. knows, and he won't let yet.

FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN.

The pupils of the Sacred Heart parochial school and their parents will celebrate Washington's birthday with a candy pulling festival in the school hall, Seventeenth and Broadway, on Wednesday, February 22. The Sisters and the lay friends of the school have been busy for some time making preparations for the event, and all who attend are assured a celebration that will delight them. The afternoon will be for the little people and the evening for their parents, and judged from the number of tickets issued the gathering will be a large and happy one. Besides the candy that will be given away there will be a number of amusing and enjoyable features.

BROTHER SUCCEEDS BROTHER.

The General Council accepted the resignation of City Assessor Daniel F. Murphy at its meeting Monday night, at the same time adopting resolutions very complimentary of the retiring official. Later a joint session was held, at which Cornelius C. Murphy, for many years chief deputy in the office, was elected to fill out the unexpired term, which is from March 1 to November 10. The selection was the best that could have been made, as there is no other man in the city possessing the knowledge and qualifications of the new Assessor.

SODALITY BOX SOCIAL.

The Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Augustine's parish in Jeffersonville will give a box social at the Falls City Hotel on Wednesday evening, February 15, for the benefit of the new St. Augustine's church, now nearing completion. All are most cordially invited to attend, a special invitation being extended to Louisville and New Albany friends.